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Dear Sir or Madam:

In connection with Application Serial No. 10/069,749, filed May 19, 2001, please consider this Preliminary Amendment.

In the claims:

Detail with respect to all amendments made herein is provided in the marked-up version (attached to the rear of this amendment) as required under 37 CFR §1.121(b).

Please add new claims 9 through 19.

9. The method of rendering the control of the gas-air ratio of a burner system independent of the aging process of a gas quality sensor having an output which is applied to the system for calibrating the system, comprising the step of:

applying the output of the sensor to the system only at predetermined times.



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